

3 Fumbles By Warriors Prove Costly

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An overflow crowd of nearly 5,000 watched Mount Vernon capitalize on numerous Wakefield mistakes and ease to a 21-6 victory Friday night on the winners' field.

Mount Vernon scored three touchdowns resulting from Warrior fumbles and picked up a safety by blocking a punt. The victory gives Mount Vernon a record of 2-0. It was Wakefield's first game.

Both coaches agreed that other than Wakefield's errors, Corky Cash made the difference in the scoring. Coach Jack Miller of

STATISTICS		
Mount Vernon		Wakefield
128	Yards Gained Rushing	64
39	Yards Gained Passing	153
167	Total Net Yards	217
7	First Downs	7
8	Passes Attempted	10
3	Passes Completed	4
1	Passes Intercepted By	1
4	Fumbles	6
4	Fumbles Lost	5
25	Yards Penalized	25
3	Number of Punts	1
36.1	Average yards per punt	38

Mount Vernon said, "Cash played real heads up ball and helped our victory tremendously. I'm real proud of the whole squad for their hustle."

WAKEFIELD COACH Bill Edmondson admitted that, "we beat ourselves by making too many mistakes, and Cash was too much for us to handle."

Cash was the leading ground gainer of the evening, racing 48 yards in eight chances for an average of six yards per carry. Jim Jenkins was close behind Cash with a net of 31 yards in six carries for an average of 5.1.

For Wakefield, Bill Smith was the leading ball carrier. Smith ground out 26 yards in seven attempts.

Mount Vernon's first score came early in the second period. After the Majors pounced on a Warrior fumble on the Wakefield 25 yard line it took them only seven plays to score. Halfback Jim Jenkins dove over for the touchdown from two yards out. The extra point attempt failed as they tried to run it over.

MINUTES later, after Wake-

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field switched from the T-formation to the single-wing and still could not move the ball, they were forced to punt deep in their own territory. Cash charged through the center of Wakefield's line and blocked Dick Bawcombe's kick. Bawcombe was able to fall on the loose pigskin in the end zone before he was smothered for a safety. At the half Mount Vernon led 8-0.

In the third quarter the Warriors were again forced to punt with their backs to the wall. This time they couldn't get the kick away as a result of a bad snap from center. Mount Vernon took over on the Wakefield 13.

Wakefield's defense held for three downs, then collapsed. On fourth down from the 12, Cash darted straight up the middle to the two yard line where he was hit, but bulled his way over. Again a run failed in the attempt to get the extra point.

TRAILING 14-0 Wakefield suddenly came to life and for a brief moment it appeared they would make a close game of it. The Warriors scored on the longest play of the evening when quarterback Bawcombe hit Bob Riordan with a perfect pass.

The entire play covered 82 yards as Riordan scampered down the right sideline untouched. The extra point failed when a pass play fell short of the end zone.

The only other score of the game occurred midway in the final period. Cash, who was just as outstanding on defense as he was on offense for the Majors, turned one of his defensive gems into a scoring play. With Wakefield again in trouble on its own 20, Cash broke into the Warriors' backfield, picked up a loose ball and raced 15 yards for his second touchdown. Jim Solga scored the extra point on an end run to make the final score 21-6.

HAD IT not been for the ability of the Majors to take advantage of Wakefield's miscues, the game may have been closer. The statistics were relatively close. Wakefield outgained the winners 217 yards to 167. The Warriors picked up 153 of these through the air and 64 on the ground. Mount Vernon had 128 yards rushing and 39 passing. Both teams had seven first downs.